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For: **METHOD FOR TRANSPORTING BODYWORK PANELS OF A VEHICLE AND  
CORRESPONDING TRANSPORT DEVICE**

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1. US 4,824,307
2. DE 198 09 184 C2 (English abstract provided)
3. DE 29 12 638 A1 (A machine English translation of the specification and the claims is provided)
4. DE 196 17 679 C2 (English abstract provided)

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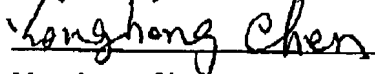
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		DE 198 09 184 C2	07-19-2001	Schuler Automation GmbH & Co KG		
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